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SUMMARY: TEKOA H TOLD SCALI HE BELIEVES ZAYYAT BASICALLY DOES NOT WANT VETO SINCE SYG VISIT TO ME WOULD BE ZAYYAT'S OPTIMUM RESULT FROM SC MEETING. VETO WOULD RESULT IN SYG NOT BEING RECEIVED NOW IN ISREAL, TEKOA H SAID, AND SYG WOULD DECLINE TO UNDERTAKE ME VISIT WITHOUT GOING TO ISRAEL AS WELL AS EGYPT. END SUMMARY.

1. ISRAEL PERMREP TEKOA H CALLED ON AMB SCALI IMMEDIATELY FLOWING SCALI-ZAYYAT MEETING (REFTEL). DURING FULL REVIEW OF THAT MEETING, TEKOA H TOLD SCALI HE BELIEVED SYG WOULD NOT UNDERTAKE ME VISIT IF THIS MEANT GOING ONLY TO CAIRO. SYG HAD SIAD, ACCORDING TO TEKOA H, THAT HE DID NOT WANT TO GO TO ME IF HE COULD NOT ASSIST SC, AND SYG HAD THERFORE SOUGHT TO DISSUADE ZAYYAT FROM INSISTING ON SC REFERENCE TO JARRING MEMO.

2. TEKOA H TOLD SCALI THAT HE EARLIER HAD SUGGESTED TO SYG,
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AND SYG HAD AGREED, THAT SYG SHOULD NOT BE ENCUMBERED BY UN-

HELPFUL SC ACTION. THUS ISRAEL HAD ADOPTED POSITION THAT GOI AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO VISIT BUT FINAL AGREEMENT WOULD DEPEND ON NON-DETRIMENTAL RESULTS OF SC DEBATE. ISRAEL COULD NOT ACCEPT SYG IF HE WERE TO COME WITH NEW MANDATE.

3. TEKOAHAID SAID THAT HE HAD MADE POINT IN MEETING WITH SYG JULY 19 THAT ZAYYAT COULD LEAVE NEW YORK AFTER ACHIEVING HELPFUL SC ACTION RESULTING IN SYG VISIT. ZAYYAT NEVERTHELESS IS CAUGHT BETWEEN EGYPT'S IMMEDIATE TACTICAL NEEDS AND REAL NEEDS, WITH REAL NEED BEING PRINCIPALLY SYG'S INVOLVEMENT IN ME. TEKOAHAID SAID SYG KNOWS CLEARLY THAT HIS VISIT WOULD DEPEND ON WHAT TRANSPIRES IN SC AND, WITH THIS IN MIND, HAD TOLD TEKOAHAID THAT HE WOULD SPEAK HERE TO NON-ALIGNED.

4. TEKOAHAID SAID HE HAD TOLD UK REP CROWE AND SYG THAT DEBATE COULD CREATE SITUATION -- EVEN AFTER VETO -- IN WHICH ISREAL COULD TELL SYG AND OTHERS THAT GOI CAN AGREE TO SYG VISIT, BUT NOT IN PRESENT ATMOSPHERE OF CONFRONTATION CREATED BY SC. GOI COULD SUGGEST WAITING UNTIL AFTER ME DEBATE IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND SEE WHAT ATMOSPHERE THEN PREVAILS. THIS WOULD KEEP OPEN POSSIBILITY OF VISIT.

5. TEKOAHAID SAID HE NOT EXCLUDING NOW POSSIBILITY THAT SC COULD DECIDE ON SC PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT OR ON CONSENSUS, BUT CROWE APPEARS OPPOSED. IF BY FRIDAY EVENING SC MEMBERS REALIZE THAT ACCEPTABLE RESOLUTION OUT OF QUESTION THE CONSENSUS IDEA MIGHT SUCCEED. SC MEMBERS, HE SAID, WILL BY THEN BE THINKING IN MORE REALISTIC TERMS. BASICALLY, ACCORDING TO TEKOAHAID, ZAYYAT IS NOT INTERESTED IN VETO. WITHOUT VETO, ZAYYAT CAN RETURN TO CAIRO AGAINST BACKGROUND OF "SUCCESS" IN OBTAINING SYG VISIT. IF THERE IS VETO, TEKOAHAID REITERATED, SYG WOULD HAVE TO BE MAKING ONE-SIDED VISIT AND SYG SIMPLY NOT LIKELY TO HAVE SELF IDENTIFIED AS GIVING SUCCOR TO ONE SIDE ONLY.

6. TEKOAHAID THOUGHT SADAT'S TOUGH SPEECH TO ASU WAS MAINLY DESIGNED TO BOLSTER ZAYYAT'S BARGAINING POSITION BUT NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FINAL EGYPTIAN POSITION IN SC.

7. TEKOAHAID CONCLUDED BY MAKING PITCH FOR STRONG PRESS
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STATEMENT BY SCALI EVENING JULY 19 FOR EFFECT PRIOR TO OPENING OF SC DEBATE. SCALI INFORMED TEKOAHAID HE ALREADY HAD INFORMED KEY PRESS JULY 19 OF BASIC US POSITION ON 242 AND WOULD CONSIDER ADDITIONAL PRESS EFFORT.
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